

# Welcome to the NorthWest Alfa Romeo Club (NWARC)



A Chapter of the Alfa Romeo Owners Club – USA (AROC)

**Alfisti:** A word to describe Alfa Romeo enthusiasts.

Started in 1965, the **Northwest Alfa Romeo Club** has always been dedicated to enhancing the experience of owning and driving Alfa Romeos while increasing awareness of the marque's heritage and the unique soul of its cars.

- Approximately 240 NW Alfisti members
- Plenty of new members as well as many long-term who started with the chapter back in the 60s and 70s
- Pre-war cars through brand new Stelvios,
- Some members may like only the more vintage GTVs while some focus on the new 4C or Giulia Quadrifoglio
- Race prep, concours, driving, socializing... whatever fits your interests
- Meet others with a car like yours and enjoy technical or mechanical support
- Socialize on tours, wine tasting, meals, car shows, and much more
- Safety skills for street driving... classes held bi-annually
- High Performance Driving Experience (HPDE) events on track
- We sometimes have club hoodies, hats, and more to share your Alfa enthusiasm

### **Monthly Meetings**

We typically meet at 6:30 PM on the second Tuesday of each month. Locations and details vary so always check the current newsletter for the specific info. All are welcome including guests.

# Let's talk Club and Chapter communications...

**Make sure you subscribe to our e-mail distribution too**l using the tool on the lower right corner of our club website ( <a href="www.NWALFACLUB.com">www.NWALFACLUB.com</a>) landing page. We only use it to send out select announcements and full color digital newsletters.

**Iniezione**, **our monthly newsletter**, recaps past events, announces upcoming activities, and other Alfa Romeo related news. It carries ads from wonderful local shops who support us and we ask that you consider them first when deciding whatever you may need. Do you have a business to share with the members? Alfa related or not, we're happy to get your name out. Ad info is in each newsletter. The latest newsletter is always posted to our website for quick reference. In addition to the digital newsletter we'll send you, if you want a print version in the mail, send an email to our editor at editor@nwalfaclub.com and confirm your mailing address with him.

The very nice **AROC monthly magazine**, **AlfaOwner**, will be mailed to you with national news and stories.

- **NWARC website:** <a href="http://nwalfaclub.com">http://nwalfaclub.com</a> Chapter event info, and current & past newsletters, and reference info. The site is fully enabled to reflow for android and Apple based devices.
- **AROC website:** <u>www.aroc-usa.org</u> Go here for national info, regional club info, and to renew your membership.
- **NWARC Facebook:** <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/67352008988/">https://www.facebook.com/groups/67352008988/</a> You'll need to have your own facebook profile, then click **Join and answer the membership questions**.
- **NWARC Twitter:** <a href="https://twitter.com/AlfaClubNW">https://twitter.com/AlfaClubNW</a> Follow the club posts or add your thoughts!
- Alfa BB: <a href="http://www.alfabb.com/bb/forums/nwarc-northwest-alfa-romeo-club-state-washington/">http://www.alfabb.com/bb/forums/nwarc-northwest-alfa-romeo-club-state-washington/</a> You don't have to pay for this but you will have to register.

## **NW Alfa Romeo Club Leadership, Info, and Reference**

- President Fred Russell 425 308-6621 president@nwalfaclub.com
- Vice Pres. David James 206 849 3211 vicepresident@nwalfaclub.com
- **Secretary** John Wiley 347 452 1928 <u>secretary@nwalfaclub.com</u>
- **Treasurer** Jason Cremer <u>treasurer@nwalfaclub.com</u>
- Activities Dir. Judy & Bill Gehring 425 822 4231 activities@nwalfaclub.com
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- Newsletter Editor Jon Inge 206-355-3111 editor@nwalfaclub.com
- **Webmaster** Earl Krygier <u>webmaster@nwalfaclub.com</u>
- Social Media Dave Morris <u>media@nwalfaclub.com</u>
- Mech / Tech Wes Ingram 360 707 5701 wing@nwlink.com

### Need service on your 1995 or older Alfa Romeo?

The NW region has many great specialty shops to help with anything from tires, to bodywork, to engine rebuilds, to race prep. Check out our list on the **Services / Suppliers** section of our club website.

### Need service on your new Alfa Romeo 8cCompetizione, 4C, Giulia, or Stelvio?

There is a growing dealer network supporting Western Washington at Kirkland, downtown Seattle, and in Tacoma plus a dealer in Coeur d'Alene Idaho and three in British Columbia. A full list of dealers and aftermarket support can be found on the **Services / Suppliers** section of our club website.

### Do you want NWARC advice or help with your Alfa Romeos?

Member Name Contact

Dan Jardine <a href="mailto:thosejardines@centurylink.net">thosejardines@centurylink.net</a>

Fred Russell FKTMRussell@msn.com

#### **Events / Track Activities**

We have numerous **social and driving events** throughout the year including New Year's Day drive, Cook-Off, St Paddy's Day gathering, Tulip Rallye, Spring drive, Viva Italia Car Show, Summer drive, BBQ, 3-day Half Lap of Washington drive, Tech sessions, a Holiday Gala and more. You are encouraged to attend as many of these as possible. Each event has proven to be a ton of fun and a wonderful mix of Alfa Romeo and socializing. If you have an idea or question about a current or new event, please contact Judy or Bill Gehring, our activities directors listed previously, to share your ideas.

If all of that is not enough, we also hold **Driver Skills Schools** as well as **High-Performance Driving Experience** at a local race track. The schools are a wonderful opportunity to hone your skills for safer and more enjoyable road driving. Since we teach vehicle handling and the exercises allow you to practice emergency stops, turns, and accident avoidance, there is no better way to prepare for an emergency before you actually have one. These classes are also great for your spouse, friends, or children over 15 years old. At our High-Performance Driving Experience events we reserve a local race track and provide instructors for new people and fun performance driving for all. We load up on safety with inspections, rules, turn workers, EMTs, fire truck, and more. It isn't for all, but it's all for some.

#### Want to share your talents within NWARC?

Leadership elections are held each November for chapter: President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. All four officer positions are part of the Board, along with the volunteer positions for Activities, Membership, Webmaster, Newsletter Editor and others as listed previously. We're always open for new ideas and perspectives so it's a great time to take on an active role.

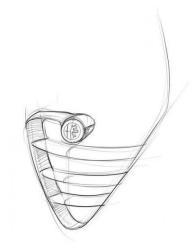
Here are outlines of the elected roles so you'll know what you could volunteer for going forward.

- **President:** The easiest job on the Board. Controls the activities of the overall Board, runs the Board meetings, and presides over the monthly meetings. Writes a monthly column for the newsletter. Helps to find and fill openings for leadership or committee spots.
- **Vice President:** Backs up the chapter President, arranges locations and speakers for monthly meetings, and tracks attendance at meetings.
- **Secretary:** Note taker for monthly chapter and board meetings. Forwards the meeting notes to other board and committee members. Requires some organization and communication skills.
- **Treasurer:** This role keeps our chapter finances in line, tracks the money, pays our bills, and follows good accounting practices. This is the only truly responsible member of the board.

These Non-Elected positions you can volunteer for, or to sign up as a team with another member, or simply volunteer to lend a helping hand. (Wife & husband? Friend & friend? New friend?)

- **Activities:** Track all events on the local and national calendar and minimize event conflicts. The role requires social skills and some organization talent.
- **Membership:** Welcome new members to the chapter, as well as provide info about the club to prospective members. Brag about the cool things we do as part of NWARC. Look for ways to attract new members and retain the current ones. Requires good social skills.
- **Webmaster:** Keeps information up to date on the website regarding the latest meeting info, and newsletter postings. Requires an understanding of basic web applications and programming.
- **Newsletter:** The Editor needs to gather stories and photos from people attending events, as well as find news, up-coming events and meeting info. Any of us can report the event, news, or interesting article by volunteering to write something. Requires mild computer skills and reasonable communication. Heck we can use volunteers to help with the monthly mailing. The newsletter should be done as a team for best results.

You can get more specifics on each Chapter role by contacting the current people listed on the top of page 2. Each role can be fun, and there's opportunity for on-the-job learning. You can also volunteer to assist on any of these roles! It takes a village... even an Alfa village.



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